

U.S. States Ranked by Over-the-Year Percent Change in Nonfarm Employment

(employment in thousands, not seasonally adjusted)

Percentage of 50 States Total^(a)

Nonfarm Employment

RANK	STATE	February 2015(p)	February 2014	<u>Over-the-Year Change</u>		February 2015(p)	February 2014
				Amount	Percentage ^(b)		
1	California	15,866.8	15,377.5	489.3	3.2%	11.4%	11.3%
2	Texas	11,698.4	11,336.0	362.4	3.2%	8.4%	8.4%
3	New York	9,051.2	8,899.4	151.8	1.7%	6.5%	6.6%
4	Florida	8,015.0	7,735.1	279.9	3.6%	5.8%	5.7%
5	Illinois	5,809.4	5,732.1	77.3	1.3%	4.2%	4.2%
6	Pennsylvania	5,743.4	5,672.8	70.6	1.2%	4.1%	4.2%
7	Ohio	5,285.9	5,204.0	81.9	1.6%	3.8%	3.8%
8	Georgia	4,208.8	4,051.8	157.0	3.9%	3.0%	3.0%
9	Michigan	4,181.6	4,098.8	82.8	2.0%	3.0%	3.0%
10	North Carolina	4,178.2	4,040.1	138.1	3.4%	3.0%	3.0%
11	New Jersey	3,910.8	3,862.1	48.7	1.3%	2.8%	2.8%
12	Virginia	3,748.3	3,706.0	42.3	1.1%	2.7%	2.7%
13	Massachusetts	3,380.2	3,325.1	55.1	1.7%	2.4%	2.5%
14	Washington	3,100.4	3,005.4	95.0	3.2%	2.2%	2.2%
15	Indiana	2,972.7	2,913.6	59.1	2.0%	2.1%	2.1%
16	Wisconsin	2,831.3	2,775.6	55.7	2.0%	2.0%	2.0%
17	Tennessee	2,821.8	2,760.8	61.0	2.2%	2.0%	2.0%
18	Minnesota	2,787.8	2,742.6	45.2	1.6%	2.0%	2.0%
19	Missouri	2,718.9	2,679.8	39.1	1.5%	2.0%	2.0%
20	Arizona	2,630.1	2,558.6	71.5	2.8%	1.9%	1.9%
21	Maryland	2,606.3	2,556.5	49.8	1.9%	1.9%	1.9%
22	Colorado	2,490.1	2,406.6	83.5	3.5%	1.8%	1.8%
23	Louisiana	1,980.5	1,957.0	23.5	1.2%	1.4%	1.4%
24	South Carolina	1,964.3	1,898.8	65.5	3.4%	1.4%	1.4%
25	Alabama	1,930.9	1,893.0	37.9	2.0%	1.4%	1.4%
26	Kentucky	1,852.2	1,809.5	42.7	2.4%	1.3%	1.3%
27	Oregon	1,735.8	1,677.5	58.3	3.5%	1.2%	1.2%
28	Oklahoma	1,656.4	1,633.2	23.2	1.4%	1.2%	1.2%
29	Connecticut	1,654.4	1,629.1	25.3	1.6%	1.2%	1.2%
30	Iowa	1,537.0	1,512.6	24.4	1.6%	1.1%	1.1%
31	Kansas	1,391.7	1,371.1	20.6	1.5%	1.0%	1.0%
32	Utah	1,356.3	1,301.2	55.1	4.2%	1.0%	1.0%
33	Nevada	1,227.1	1,186.7	40.4	3.4%	0.9%	0.9%
34	Arkansas	1,200.0	1,171.3	28.7	2.5%	0.9%	0.9%
35	Mississippi	1,120.3	1,110.9	9.4	0.8%	0.8%	0.8%
36	Nebraska	986.4	975.6	10.8	1.1%	0.7%	0.7%
37	New Mexico	826.9	811.0	15.9	2.0%	0.6%	0.6%
38	West Virginia	749.2	747.2	2.0	0.3%	0.5%	0.6%
39	Idaho	656.3	638.3	18.0	2.8%	0.5%	0.5%
40	New Hampshire	641.8	636.1	5.7	0.9%	0.5%	0.5%
41	Hawaii	629.4	623.6	5.8	0.9%	0.5%	0.5%
42	Maine	584.2	581.8	2.4	0.4%	0.4%	0.4%
43	Rhode Island	468.2	464.0	4.2	0.9%	0.3%	0.3%
44	North Dakota	462.1	444.3	17.8	4.0%	0.3%	0.3%
45	Montana	443.8	442.6	1.2	0.3%	0.3%	0.3%
46	Delaware	433.7	424.0	9.7	2.3%	0.3%	0.3%
47	South Dakota	416.5	411.5	5.0	1.2%	0.3%	0.3%
48	Alaska	326.7	322.4	4.3	1.3%	0.2%	0.2%
49	Vermont	313.8	308.4	5.4	1.8%	0.2%	0.2%
50	Wyoming	286.5	282.5	4.0	1.4%	0.2%	0.2%
50 States Total		138,869.8	135,705.5	3,164.3	2.3%	100.0%	100.0%

NOTES:

(p) Preliminary, subject to revisions

(a) U.S. Total does not include District of Columbia or U.S. territories

(b) Percentage calculations are rounded

Source: U.S. Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics (<http://stats.bls.gov/news.release/laus.t06.htm>)

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